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Convention Board Elects Executive Committee



Miami Mayor To Lead In Hospital Campaign Drive

MIAMI (BP) — Mayor Randal N. Christmas, of Miami, will serve as general chairman of the fund raising campaign for a Baptist hospital in this south Florida city.

The appointment was announced by C. Roy Angell, pastor of Miami's Central Baptist Church and chairman of the campaign executive committee.

If the Southern Baptist Convention approves the project at its 1957 meeting in Chicago, operation of the Miami Baptist Hospital program will be carried on by the SBC.

In accepting the position, Mayor Christmas said, "I am deeply honored to have been chosen to head this vitally important campaign. Surveys have been made indicating a drastic shortage of hospital beds in this area."

"While Baptists through the Miami Baptist Association have started this movement, all citizens should join in the effort. The hospital will be open to the people of all faiths and those who profess no faith. The building of a new hospital here will prove to be a valuable and needed community asset."

"Two sites have been acquired. One of 10 acres is located in uptown Miami on N. W. 12th Ave., above 14th St. The other site covers 55 acres near South Miami which has been offered by Arthur Vining Davis together with a substantial sum of cash provided Baptists and their friends of other denominations pledged sufficient funds to build."

"I have every confidence that the people of the Greater Miami area will do everything possible to bring into creation this urgently needed hospital thru their participation and generous pledges," the mayor concluded.

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Inaugural Liquor Decanter Under Sharp Criticism

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Religious and temperance groups here asked President Eisenhower and former President Herbert Hoover and Harry S. Truman to forbid the use of their names on an "inaugural" liquor decanter.

A large East Coast distillery announced that it is bottling whisky in the "inaugural souvenir" decanter for nationwide sale. The decanter will list the names of all American presidents, their home states and inaugurations dates, along with a picture and brief history of the Capitol.

Dr. Caradine R. Hooton, general secretary of the Methodist Board of Temperance, said he appealed to President Eisenhower in behalf of "fellow Christians of many denominations." He charged the distiller with making a "shocking and subtle attempt to connect the President with a product that kills more citizens than war itself."

Baptist Official Opposes Change In Trust Tax Rule

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—

A Baptist official urged the House Ways and Means Committee to reject a proposal by the Treasury Department that would make it more difficult for philanthropists to set up reversionary trust funds to benefit churches, hospitals and colleges.

George L. Shearin, secretary and legal counsel of the endowment department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, told a sub-committee on tax revision that the proposal is contrary to established public policy of encouraging private charitable gifts. He said it would cause hardship to Baptist institutions.

At present, if a donor gives irrevocable control over the income from a reversionary trust to a charitable institution for a period of two years or more, this income is tax-exempt during the time of use by the charitable group even though the donor may take back the property given to the trust whenever he wishes.

The Treasury, calling this provision a "loophole" that has been abused, has asked Congress to require that income of the trust be given to charity for a minimum of ten years to qualify for tax exemption.

There are a few individuals who can and will give up portion of their income for two, three or possibly five years to help institutional beneficiaries," Mr. Shearin told the subcommittee. "But how many individuals can see their way clearly ahead for ten years?"

In this age of heavy taxes, if a man can afford to give up income for ten years then he can afford to give it up permanently and there is no need for the reversionary provision."

He said that for "practical purposes elimination of the special two-year rule will doom the use of this type of trust in endowment."

Churches Leading In Mission Giving Named For 1955-56

The 100 churches leading in mission giving for the convention year 1955-56 is being revealed this week by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer. The first column is for Cooperative Program gifts. The second is total mission gifts, which include Cooperative Program and designated gifts.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

	TOTAL MISSION GIFTS
1. Jackson, First	\$60,789.01
2. Jackson, Calvary	\$7,083.88
3. Columbus, First	31,410.44
4. Gulfport, First	30,935.78
5. Meridian, First	27,065.75
6. Tupelo, Calvary	27,025.60
7. Brookhaven, First	25,776.57
8. Grenada, First	25,544.79
9. McComb, First	22,409.88
10. Picayune, First	21,944.97
11. West Point, First	21,148.21
12. Pascagoula, First	20,261.62
13. Jackson, Parkway	19,783.60
14. New Albany, First	17,923.00

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Late Bulletins From Around The World

(By Religious News Service)

BELGRADE — President Tito awarded the Order of the Yugoslav Banner, First Class, to Ibrahim Fejic, the supreme ulema, or leader, of Yugoslavia's two million Moslems.

TORONTO, Ont. — Canada's Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches elected a layman as president for the first time in its history.

PITTSBURG, Pa.—The Pennsylvania Superior Court reserved decision on a case involving efforts of Bethel Borough to bar the erection of a church by Jehovah's Witnesses on the grounds that the proposed structure would tangle traffic in the community.

MENLO PARK, Calif. — A group of Jehovah's Witnesses brought suit in California Superior Court at nearby Redwood City to compel the city council here to permit construction of a church at Menlo Park. They charged the councilmen had "cautiously" denied them freedom of worship.

COPENHAGEN — A five-man delegation from the (State) Lutheran Church of Denmark which made an 18-day visit to Romania said on their return here that religious life was flourishing in that country despite strict controls over it exercised by the government.

KITCHENER, Ont. — Some 15,000 laymen are canvassing the membership of 200 churches between Ottawa and Windsor in the biggest Protestant stewardship campaign ever undertaken in this country.

INSTANBUL — A motion aimed at expelling Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras from Turkey on the grounds that he is a political rather than a spiritual personality was introduced in the National Assembly by Nuri Demirag, representative for Sivas.

NEW YORK — Dr. Martin Niemoeller, German pastor, predicted here that the return of a Soviet-dominated Communist government in Hungary will have no ill effects on church life there.

NEW HYDE PARK, N. Y. — The New Hyde Park School Board has approved the posting of the Ten Commandments in public school rooms of the community.

Jordan Missionaries Returning To Posts

Some of the Southern Baptist missionaries who left Jordan temporarily in November have returned to their stations, according to information which Dr. George W. Sadler, the Foreign Mission Board's secretary for Africa, Europe and the Near East, has received from Dr. L. August Lovegren, missionary in Taiybeh, Jordan. (It is not known at Foreign Mission Board headquarters, if Dr. and Mrs. Lovegren ever left Jordan.)

Dr. Lorne E. Brown and Rev. William O. Hern have returned to Ajloun. Mrs. Brown and children and Mrs. Hern and children are staying in Beirut, Lebanon, for the present.

Miss Violet Popp, missionary nurse with the Baptist hospital in Ajloun, and Miss Anna Cowan, educational missionary with the school in Ajloun, are still in Beirut. Miss Annie Hagstrom, also a nurse with the Ajloun hospital, is now serving at the Baptist hospital in the Gaza strip.

Dr. Lovegren wrote: "I am happy to report that things have gone very well in recent days for us here. The medical work has increased considerably in the last few days and the people have been friendly all the time. The evangelistic work is continuing although at times it seems to be quite slow."

700 From 27 Schools Attend BSU Convention

119 Decisions Made In Saturday, Sunday Services

More than 700 attended the 33rd annual State Baptist Student Union Convention held last weekend at Poplar Springs Drive Church in Meridian.

The highlight of the convention came Saturday night when several scores of eager young people marched to the front making decisions following a message by Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Church leaders agreed with Mr. Shurlock that relations between the movie industry and Protestants have never been better than now.

A feature of the board meeting was a session devoted to "The Churches in Relation to the Motion Picture Industry." It dealt specifically with the relationship between the movie industry and Protestant churches.

Many of these were for mission service, both home and foreign, while others were for full-time Christian service and some for Christian life rededication.

A strong program was presented, featuring several outstanding Southern Baptist leaders.

The group voted to send seven student missionaries in 1957 to the following places: two to the Pacific Northwest, one each to Illinois, Alaska, Mexico and two to Mississippi.

Surprise Feature

In a surprise feature Saturday Miss Marian Leavell, student director at the University of Mississippi, was honored with a "This is Your Life" program, in recognition of her 25 years of service in BSU work in the state.

Approximately 700 students from 27 schools registered with total attendance pushing the figure still higher.

Roll Call of the schools on Friday night by President Don Stewart, William Carey College, revealed the following number present from each:

Delta State, 15; Miss. College, 214; MSCW, 35; Blue Mountain, 64; Ole Miss, 32; Clarke College, 19; Pearl River Jr. College, 1; Sunflower Jr. College, 12; Perkins Jr. College, 10; Mississippi State, 46; East Central Jr. College, 20; Hinds Jr. College, 12; Co-Lin Jr. College, 34; Holmes Jr. College, 5; Northeast Jr. College, 7; William Carey, 39; Gilroy School of Nursing, 11; Meridian Jr. College, 6; Northwest Jr. College, 9; Millsaps, 10; Belhaven, 3; Itawamba Jr. College, 30; Mississippi Southern, 36; East Miss. Jr. College, 8; Northwest Jr. College, 4.

Baptist Press carried the story which was printed in Southern Baptist newspapers from coast to coast. National wire services and newsmagazines also quoted from Duncan's article.

Duncan's retirement becomes effective Jan. 1. He has served as editor since May, 1947. He made no announcement of future plans.

He was born Nov. 13, 1889 in Marion, Ky., and is a graduate of Southern Baptist Seminary. He has worked as pastor and denominational leader in Kentucky, South Carolina, and Georgia as well as Arkansas.

Duncan is author of two books published by Broadman Press "From Bondage to Freedom" and "Personal Adventures with Jesus."

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Names In News Of The Day Accepts R.A. Post Plans Retirement



Rev. E. L. Howell, who was elected to the position of state Royal Ambassador counselor and associate in the state Brotherhood Department, has accepted and will begin his new (Continued on Page 2)

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Chaplain Tells Of Brutal Time By Secret Police

LONDON (RNS) — An Australian chaplain expelled from Egypt told of brutal treatment by Egyptian secret police who arrested him in Suez.

The Rev. William Robert Tyler, chaplain of the Seamen's Mission at Port Said, said here that he and his churchwarden were picked up by the police within half an hour after the air alert sounded there on November 5.

"Eighteen of us were put into a bus and we were made to sit with coats over our heads," he said. "After a while one of the guards, who must have been a hefty fellow, went along the gangway of the bus and clubbed us all at the back of the head with a rifle butt. I was almost knocked out."

The clergyman said almost all his money was taken away in a "vicious customs examination" given to all Britons leaving the country. He told of seeing three thin gold bangles wrenched from the wrist of an expelled woman missionary who had spent 35 years working among the Egyptians.

On the other hand, officials of the Church Missionary Society here said that nine of their missionaries who arrived in London recently after expulsion reported they were treated with "correctness and reasonable courtesy" by Egyptian officials and by the people. They also were permitted to carry on their work at Harpur Missionary Hospital in Cairo during the interval between receiving their expulsion orders and leaving the country.

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Co-Op. ---**Missions ---**

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15 Jackson, Daniel Memorial	17,300.00
16 Kosciusko, First	16,600.00
17 Columbia, First	16,336.51
18 Meridian, 15th Av.	15,870.14
19 Jackson, Northside	15,735.08
20 Hattiesburg Mn. St.	15,536.82
21 Vicksburg, First	15,363.22
22 Meridian, Poplar Springs Dr.	15,081.67
23 Laurel, First	14,885.76
24 Yazoo City, First	14,552.71
25 Hattiesburg, First	13,882.48
26 Crystal Spgs, First	13,603.32
27 Greenville, First	11,931.44
28 Tylertown	11,635.29
29 Canton, First	11,401.61
30 Calhoun City, First	10,884.45
31 Clarksdale	10,634.04
32 Pontotoc, First	10,460.04
33 Clinton	10,415.04
34 Biloxi, First	10,375.45
35 Philadelphia, First	9,813.10
36 Batesville, First	9,794.01
37 Durant, First	9,630.06
38 Tupelo, Harrisburg	9,094.26
39 Jackson, Brdmor	8,957.07
40 Greenwood, First	8,917.01
41 McComb, East	8,879.37
42 Hazlehurst, First	8,814.97
43 Meridian, Highland	8,786.55
44 Meridian, So.-side	8,736.58
45 Jackson, Alta Woods	8,329.86
46 Leland, First	8,035.44
47 Natchez, First	7,892.35
48 Hattiesburg, Temple	7,800.00
49 Holly Springs, First	7,672.05
50 Starkville, First	7,580.96
51 Belzoni, First	7,556.18
52 Cleveland, First	7,477.54
53 Corinth, First	7,450.93
54 Moss Point, First	7,306.11
55 Meridian, 41st Av.	6,999.55
56 Charleston, First	6,829.25
57 Winona, First	6,800.56
58 Quitman, First	6,646.00
59 Monticello, First	6,472.21
60 Indianola, First	6,434.00
61 Carthage, First	6,267.68
62 Wiggins, First	6,168.57
63 Prentiss, First	6,146.61
64 Liberty	5,998.55
65 Jackson, Ridgecrest	5,979.37
66 Amory, First	5,757.10
67 Eupora, First	5,559.21
68 Magnolia, First	5,528.20
69 Lucedale, First	5,484.44
70 Jackson, Crestwood	5,474.99
71 Jackson, Van Winkle	5,420.80
72 Booneville, First	5,355.61
73 Greenville, Second	5,297.27
74 Trinity, Gulfcoast	5,291.68
75 Clarksdale, Oak-hurst	5,113.19
76 Laurel, Sec. Av.	5,018.70
77 Greenfield, Cal.	4,727.80
78 Itta Bena, First	4,662.00
79 Sardis, First	4,656.37
80 Collins, First	4,551.88
81 Newton, First	4,541.66
82 Magee	4,500.00
83 Natchez, Immanuel	4,448.28
84 Hollendale, First	4,400.00
85 McComb, South	4,393.85
86 McComb, Cent.	4,373.87
87 Tunica, First	4,372.26
88 Forest, First	4,187.82
89 Laurel, West	4,186.03
90 Petal-Harvey	4,088.63
91 Blue Mountain, Lowery Mem.	4,010.36
92 Mendenhall, First	3,996.22
93 Jackson, West	3,988.61
95 Water Valley, First	3,943.38
96 Morton, First	3,918.69
97 Ruleville, First	3,850.00
98 West Point, Cal.	3,857.72
99 Jackson, Griffith-Memorial	3,750.00
100 Laurel, Highland	3,729.42

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301 At M-Night In Sunflower

"M" Night was observed in Sunflower Association Monday night, Dec. 3, 1956 at Indianola, First Church with an attendance of 301.

Rev. Harold Savell, Associational Training Union Director, presided. An amusing skit entitled "A Dead Training Union" was given by Mr. Savell and Max Phillips, who was last year's director.

Interesting facts on "Alcohol Education" were told by Mrs. Charles Ray.

Sidney Pitts presented the

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The Trustees, Superintendent, Faculty and Children of the Baptist Orphanage takes this opportunity to wish for you the joy and blessings of the HOLIDAY SEASON.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Photo Report of BSU Meet**Heartiest Congrats To Dr. Moore**

Several students Friday night joined with Dr. Warren Jones, principal speaker for Saturday morning, in congratulating Dr. Walter L. Moore on his keynote message at the opening session Friday night. Dr. Jones, at left, is assistant professor of psychology at Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., while Dr. Moore is pastor of Meridian's First Baptist Church. The students are Donette Dunnaway, MSCW, second from left; Virginia Haynes, Mississippi College, fourth from left, and State President, Don Stewart, of William Carey College, at right.—Photo by Glenn Sullivan, Miss. College.

Dr. Stagg 'Oversees' Music Plans

State BSU choir leaders confer on special music to be rendered during the Convention in Meridian while Dr. Frank Stagg, professor in New Orleans Baptist Seminary, a guest at the choir dinner Friday night, looks on. From left: Sally Branch, Blue Mountain, organist; Miss Iris Dean Starkey, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Columbus, choir director; Ann Greene, MSCW, pianist, and Dr. Stagg.—Photo by Glenn Sullivan, Miss. College.

Coke-Box Interviews In Vogue

Tom Kawamura, Japanese student at Mississippi College, tells students Friday night about student life in his county, as Dr. A. C. Miller, of Nashville, Tenn., program personality, listens in. From left: Ruth Puckett, Mississippi College; Tom Kawamura; Dr. Miller; Ann Mitchell, Copiah-Lincoln Junior College; and Bill Jackson, Ole Miss. Tom is a representative of the Japanese Embassy and is a special student.—Photo by Glenn Sullivan, Miss. College.

Plans ---

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in 1932 and is now in his 25th year as head of the historic college. The Baptist leader, without fixing any specific date, issued the following statement:

"We have thought that with the completion of the library and fine arts building and with three other buildings begun and on the way toward realization, we should transfer the responsibility of the presidency to younger and more capable shoulders."

A committee of the Board of Trustees of the college was appointed sometime ago to name a successor but no announcement has been made.

Dr. Nelson has been identified with the college for 50 years, first as a student (alumnus 1907), later as professor of physics and then as president. He succeeded Dr. J. W. Provine, who retired in 1932.

College Grows

Mississippi College during the past 25 years has grown from a small college with a student body of 360 to one of the largest colleges in the Southern Baptist Convention. Last year's enrollment reached over 2,000.

A debt of \$491,000 has been paid and the Hillman College properties acquired. Buildings constructed include Nelson Hall, Henderman, Gunter and Senior residence-halls for women, Whittington Student Center, a Library annex and the Band building.

Ratliff Hall has been enlarged and the Owen and Provine residence acquired. A concrete stadium and eight tennis courts have been built.

College properties are valued at \$2,357,571 and endowment is \$1,271,053.81.

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Dr. Jones Speaks

Dr. Quarles, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was speaking as a panel member of a symposium introduced by Dr. A. C. Miller, Nashville, secretary, Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission. The subject was "The Basis of Morality Among College Students."

"We Americans do not like the idea of bowing to anyone, even God," Dr. Warren Jones, assistant professor of psychology, Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., told the students in a major address Saturday. He continued:

"We prefer that our lives, just like everything else, be run on a 'do-it-yourself basis.' The basic problem in following Christ is not in knowing what to do but in being willing to do it if we know it."

In closing he suggested several ways in which a student could know Christ's condition of "Not my will, but Thine be done."

First, study his life to see what He valued; second, pray as He prayed, for His major decisions grew out of prayer, and third, watch for "open doors."

Effective In Decisions

"The Lordship of Jesus reveals itself in the mastery of one's life," Dr. Walter L. Moore, pastor of Meridian's First Church, declared Friday night.

Speaking on "Christ is Lord," the speaker further declared: "The Lordship of Jesus must be effective in definite decisions and daily living if it is to mean anything."

Continuing, he said: "The Lordship of Jesus is perfectly clear in the New Testament. The message of the universe is 'Jesus is Lord'."

"He is Lord and that is a real source of consolation and confidence to me."

"We face tremendous problems today. Where shall we look to the Lordship of Jesus?"

"I doubt that anyone who is completely loyal to the Lordship of Christ will escape criticism and persecution."

"The heart of sin is a person's own determination to be his own Lord."

2,500 Conversions In Hong Kong

Hong Kong—Dr. Ralph A. Herring, pastor of First Baptist church, Winston-Salem, N. C. (right), was a leader of two-week Baptist evangelistic crusade here and in Macao. He is shown speaking at a rally in Boundary Street football stadium attended by some 10,000 persons. With him is a Chinese interpreter. The campaign was sponsored by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Officials said it was attended by a total of 75,000 persons and resulted in 2,500 conversions. The crusade was the first of its kind in this area. Other leaders of the evangelistic effort were Dr. Forrest C. Feezor of the Baptist General Convention of Texas; and Dr. J. Howard Williams, president of Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.—RSN Photo.

Accepts ---

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work January 1, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

The Rev. Mr. Howell, superintendent of missions of Mississippi Association, was formerly pastor of the Centerville church and prior to that, pastor at Foxworth.

He is a native of Walhall, county and holds the B. A. degree from Mississippi College and the Th.M. from Southwestern Seminary.

He will succeed Rev. Joel Ray who resigned to pursue further study at New Orleans Seminary. W. R. Roberts is Brotherhood secretary.

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Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building were: Curtis E. Sanders, Columbia; Newell Massey, Brooksville; R. L. Hunt, Atlanta, Ga.; Albert V. Clark, Thomaston.

Twenty Eight Years As Church Treasurer At Biloxi, First

L. H. Williams, treasurer of the First Baptist Church of Biloxi for 28 years, tendered his resignation Wednesday evening to become effective on December 31st. He has been very active in the Church for the past 45 years, and has had a big part in helping build the Church from a membership of less than 200 to approximately 1,600, and increasing the budget from \$2,000.00 in 1911 to over \$75,000 today.

Mr. Williams was chairman of the building committee when the present building was erected on West Howard Avenue, and has served on most all the positions in the Church.

The Church recently re-elected Mr. Williams to serve as treasurer for 1957, but he stated that it was time for someone else to take over these important duties.

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EDITORIALS

Ministry to the Mentally Ill

One of the finest spiritual services being rendered in Mississippi is that of the chaplain at the Mississippi State Hospital at Whitfield, Dr. Kenneth Pepper.

Assisting in the hospital's efforts to bring mental and physical soundness to 4,300 patients, Dr. Pepper seeks to put the patient in touch with divine resources. He says, "Many feel forsaken at a desperate end, and cut off from hope. We try to give them an awareness of hope in God."

Dr. W. L. Jaquith, hospital superintendent and Dr. J. J. Head, assistant superintendent deserve the highest commendation of the Christian people of the state for their awareness of and concern for the spiritual needs of the patients. Recently a lovely new chapel was completed on the hospital's spacious, attractive grounds.

A native of Louisville, Kentucky, Dr. Pepper came to Mississippi for his college work, graduating from Mississippi College in 1945. He has a doctorate in theology from Southern Seminary in Louisville. After three years as pastor of the Westhampton Church of Richmond, Virginia, and some time as the assistant chaplain at the North Carolina Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem he came to his present responsibilities.

This outstanding young minister feels that all religious workers need to have a better understanding of the needs of mentally disturbed people. With that sense of mission in mind he has been the sparkplug in the Institute for Pastors and Religious Workers on Mental Illness conducted at the hospital Thursday of this week.

Pastors and other workers interested in securing some training in this particular field of counseling may apply for resident internship at the hospital. An internship lasts for one year and those receiving scholarships are paid for the twelve month period. Dr. Pepper also conducts six and eight week classes in counseling; one of which begins in January and will be open to a limited number of people.

A team of anthropologists, sociologists and psychiatrists have just completed a four year study which indicates that strong identification with religious and ethnic groups make for individual self-acceptance and sound mental health.

In presenting the results of the four-year study, Dr. Marvin K. Opler, professor of anthropology at Cornell Medical College, delivered himself of a masterpiece of technical jargon. Said he, "Those with psychotic tendencies, particularly schizophrenic symptoms, have been noticeably devoid of any group identification and participation since their pre-puberty stage."

Beneath the id and the idiom of psychology and psychiatry lies the fundamental need of mankind to be right with God. Dr. Pepper is a good representative of a growing band of men and women who know how to use science and common sense to lead patients out of the snake pits of mental derangement. We pause in passing to give tribute to these dedicated missionaries to the mentally ill.

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Church Construction to Increase in 1957

Forecasting the outlook for the construction industry the U. S. Departments of Commerce and Labor anticipate a 13 per cent increase in church building in 1957.

Church construction will account for about two per cent of all construction activity next year, the largest share in American history. Despite a probable reduction in some fields of building, new church contracts are expected to exceed this year's projects by \$100,000,000.

During the coming year about one dollar out of every 35 expended for private building will go toward new church edifices.

Church-related schools and colleges, hospitals, orphanages, homes for the aged and other parochial institutions will likewise be booming with construction in '57, according to the government's experts.

In view of the fact that the size and quality of a church's program is usually affected by the size and quality of its building, this trend brightens the prospect of the coming year.

Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
For December 16

THE WAY OF CHRISTIAN LOVE

Bible Texts: I Corinthians 12: 27-13:13.

INTRODUCTION. Once years ago, before Bro. Goodrich came to build the circulation of the Baptist Record, I tried to help out a bit in finding subscribers in the fine city where I was then pastor, and ran into this one: "No! I am not going to subscribe to the Record! Dr. Lipsey went up to my old home town a couple of weeks ago, came back to Jackson and printed it in the Record that he 'worshipped with the saints of _____' last 'Sunday'! I know the bunch that lives in that town. After Dr. Lipsey calls that crowd saints, I do not care to read anything else he has to say."

"I asked the lady whether she had any objection to reading Paul and, when she said 'No!' I asked her to read I Corinthians, and noticed that Paul calls 'That crowd saints,' and then accuses them of just about every thing low-low he could think of. But these people had believed, they did want to do right, they did desire to walk with the Lord, but they did not know how. And the purpose of all the epistles is to teach people converted out of heathenism how to live as Christians."

I. HOW PAUL REGARDS THE MEMBERS OF A CHURCH,

And I mean a church, any church, large or small, anywhere. "Ye are the body of Christ and severally members thereof. And God hath set some in the church," and then Paul goes about naming a number of

special functions that God has chosen different men to discharge. Elsewhere in his epistles Paul has made it clear that God "set" in the church all people who have any business in it at all.

Only last Sunday I saw a bright little boy make public his profession of faith in Christ, and the vote of the congregation to receive the lad as a candidate for baptism and after baptism into the full fellowship of the church was an expression of the belief on the part of the congregation that the grace of God had set the boy in the church—the body of our Lord Christ on earth.

This body of Christ, as manifested anywhere, is a moving, breathing, active body made up of Christianized people, no one anybody in particular as compared with the others, all equals as members one of another; but everyone somebody in particular in the sight of Him who set them each in the church, the body of Christ; to perform his function appointed him under God, in that body.

God has especially gifted each member whom he has in the body for the special function God intends him to perform. These gifts vary and yet, no one can worthily perform his function without one supreme special gift with which God has endowed all His children. This supreme special grace from God is the Grace of Love.

II. THE IMPORTANCE OF CHRISTIAN LOVE.

I Cor. 13: 1-3. "Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, but have not love."

What am I? A cracked tambourine in a ten cent circus, a corn-stalk fiddle in the hands of a pickaninny. All my erudition and eloquence, even a gift of tongues from the Lord, if that were possible to a loveless heart



Pages From The Past

By J. L. Boyd, Sr.

50 Years Ago

Mrs. Mary B. Aven, wife of Prof. A. J. Aven, was recently elected librarian of Mississippi College.

Student T. L. Holcomb of the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., assisted Pastor W. E. Farr at Bogue Chitto, Lincoln County, in an eight day revival meeting resulting in 67 additions to the church, 35 of them for baptism.

40 Years Ago

The missionary societies of the churches of the Coldwater Baptist Association held their Rally Day with the Church at Sardis, Rev. J. O. Hill, pastor. The all-day program was under the supervision of District President Mrs. A. J. Cinnamond and was climaxmed by the packing of a Thanksgiving Box for Home Missionary Y. U. Crenshaw and family in New Mexico, valued at \$187.58. Mrs. T. K. Rohy reported.

Pastor W. M. Bostick tells of a "genuine revival" in the Columbia Baptist Church resulting in 73 accessions, 43 of them by experience and baptism. Home Board Evangelists W. M. Anderson and W. P. Martin, as preacher and singer respectively, assisted.

Of the students in the Southwestern Seminary from Mississippi, H. E. Dana is the pastor at Highland Park, Fort Worth; J. F. Meassells is pastor of Turner Memorial, Fort Worth; and Ira D. Eavenson of the Volunteer Band represents the Seminary at the Texas General Convention.

25 Years Ago

Business Manager N. T. Tull of the Baptist Institute (New Orleans Seminary) acknowledges receipt of thirty-eight quarts "of nice preserves" from the W. M. S. of the Flora Baptist Church.

Director Joe Abrams of the B. T. U. of the First Church, Columbus, reports three new unions recently added giving a total of eleven local unions—Story Hour, four Junior, three Intermediate, two Senior, one B. A. U., and three college Unions.

Only last Sunday I saw a bright little boy make public his profession of faith in Christ, and the vote of the congregation to receive the lad as a candidate for baptism and after baptism into the full fellowship of the church was an expression of the belief on the part of the congregation that the grace of God had set the boy in the church—the body of our Lord Christ on earth.

This body of Christ, as manifested anywhere, is a moving, breathing, active body made up of Christianized people, no one anybody in particular as compared with the others, all equals as members one of another; but everyone somebody in particular in the sight of Him who set them each in the church, the body of Christ; to perform his function appointed him under God, in that body.

God has especially gifted each member whom he has in the body for the special function God intends him to perform. These gifts vary and yet, no one can worthily perform his function without one supreme special gift with which God has endowed all His children. This supreme special grace from God is the Grace of Love.

Vv. 4-7. "Suffereth long and is kind." Here I think Paul would say the character of it first appears. On whatever occasion or under whatever provocation, Christian love suffers much and is always kind in its attitude and expression kind. There are professing Christians, and you have met some of the like, whose very expression of countenance would sour the fabbed nectar of the gods and frostbite the flowers of Paradise!

Take a walk into the country, Brother, and let the autumn breezes, perfumed by the autumn odors, bear into your heart the brave fall bird's song of kindness and love and thanks giving. And so practice ye the virtues all which distinguish the character of Christian love.

IV. THE STEADFASTNESS OF CHRISTIAN LOVE.

Vv. 8-11. "Love never faileth."

17TH CENTURY BAPTIST PRESS

ORDERS FROM KING GIVE BUNYAN RIGHT TO PREACH

BEDFORD, England, May 9, 1672 — (BP) — John Bunyan, the preacher who never was proved guilty and who was sentenced to jail without a trial, was free today. It took not one but two orders from the hand of His Majesty King Charles II to make the non-conformist a free man, however.

The order which liberated Bunyan also granted him permission to preach the gospel as he sees fit. This is exactly the kind of liberty the minister demanded from the first. In fact he refused freedom on any other grounds.

"We do hereby permit and license John Bunyan to be a teacher of the congregation in Bedford," the king's order read, "for the use of such as do not conform to the Church of England, with further license and permission to him the said John Bunyan to teach in any other place licensed by us according to our declaration." The order was addressed to "all mayors, bailiffs, constables, and others."

The declaration referred to in the order granting Bunyan liberty to preach is the Declaration of Indulgence issued by the king in March. The declaration revoked all penalties previously levied against dissenters.

"That there may be no pretense for any of our subjects to continue their legal meetings and conventicles," the Declaration of Indulgence reads, "we do declare that we shall from

time to time allow a sufficient number of places as they shall be desired in all parts of this our kingdom for the use of such as do not conform to the Church of England, to meet and assemble in for public worship and devotion; which places shall be open and free to all persons."

This was the first order of the king which opened up the road to freedom for Bunyan. When news of the declaration reached Bedford jail, Bunyan and other non-conformist prisoners there immediately applied for pardons and licenses to preach the nonconformist gospel.

The petition was referred to the county sheriff who certified that the prisoners were "convicted upon several statutes for not conforming to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England and for being at unlawful meetings." The king in council then ordered that the names of the prisoners at Bedford be included in the general pardon.

Bunyan was imprisoned twelve years ago, having been given a three months' sentence for conducting a worship service which was declared "seditious and treasonable." At the end of three months law enforcement officers refused to release the minister because he refused to promise to quit preaching.

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Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

(Author of the new book FOR OUR AGE OF ANXIETY which may be purchased from your Baptist Book Store.

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson
Judged by Heart or Mind?

QUESTION: My question is will Jesus judge us by what is in our hearts, or what is in our minds? I know that many things go through my mind that has never been in my heart.

ANSWER: What is inside us of thoughts or feelings are very complex and obscure. We do not even know how to judge ourselves, much less our neighbors. So far as the distinction between heart and mind, I am not so certain.

If you mean, will God blame us for thoughts or feelings that we cannot avoid. I would say, No. The birds fly over our heads, but we are responsible if they build nests in our hair.

Paul wrote of "the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel" (Rom. 2:16). And, of course, we know that God looks on the heart and not the outward appearance of men.

In every heart, saved or unsaved, there sits some fear, doubt, lust, pride, and hate. But there are, also, trust, humility, love and desire to obey in the saved heart.

Yes, God will judge our motives and our secret thoughts. But in Jesus Christ we are safe. Those who believe "shall not come into condemnation." This is our hope, our only hope.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.)

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Calendar of Prayer

December 17 — Mrs. J. T. Lyons, State W. M. U. Vice-President; Mrs. Rosa Dykes Quisenberry, Emeritus Librarian, Mississippi College.

December 18 — Jewel Hanah, William Carey College BSU Director; Rev. O. B. Anderson, Superintendent of Missions, Gulf Coast Association.

December 19 — Mrs. Harvey M. Craft, Jr., William Carey College faculty; Brooks Haynes, Blue Mountain College faculty.

December 20 — Davis Gardner, Jasper Associational Training Union Director; DeVan Daughdrill, Greene Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

December 21 — Mrs. Ralph Alwine, Baptist Building; Mrs. J. H. Broome, Baptist Building.

December 22 — Guy Reedy, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage; Rev. Fred Tarpley, Board of Ministerial Education.

December 23 — Rev. John McDonald, Social Service Commission; Rev. David Cranford, Trustee, Clarke College.

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Bible Society Sets New Record Budget

NEW YORK, (RNS)—A record budget of \$4,310,000 for the work of the American Bible Society in 1957 was adopted by its Board of Managers at a meeting here. This compares with a 1956 budget of \$3,858,000.

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Foreign Mission Reports

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

THE LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

By Baker James Caughen

Through Woman's Missionary Union Southern Baptists are called this month to bring a Christmas gift to Jesus in the Lottie Moon Offering.

It is more than a gift of money. It is a gift of intercessory prayer, dynamic mission study, and life dedication. It closes the year on a high peak of emphasis upon the worldwide commission of our Lord.

Gratitude to God for the Lottie Moon Offering fills the heart of missionaries. Without this Offering heartbreaking needs would remain unmet. It would be impossible to extend much of our ministry.

Last year the Lottie Moon Offering reached a total of \$4,628,691.03. We pray that it may go far beyond that amount this year.

All money given to the Lottie Moon Offering goes to meet needs on mission fields. Those needs are carefully examined and recommended by the Missions (organizations of missionaries on the fields). The recommendations are sent to the Foreign Mission Board where they are thoroughly studied.

A committee representing Southwide Woman's Missionary Union comes to Richmond, Virginia, and reviews these needs in detail.

At the meeting of Southwide Woman's Missionary Union Executive Board in Birmingham, Ala., the recommendations are again studied and action for approval is taken.

The recommendations are now brought to the Foreign Mission Board through its administra-

tive committee and final approval is given.

For many years all items from the Lottie Moon Offering which constitute a part of the operating budget of the Foreign Mission Board have been adopted by the Board as a part of its annual budget. The amount so included in the 1957 budget is \$1,807,700. The total operating budget of the Board for 1957 is \$8,128,504.34.

No money received by the Foreign Mission Board is more carefully administered than the Lottie Moon Offering. This money is one of the most vital factors making for a sound financial position in a vast worldwide foreign mission responsibility.

The remarkable growth in the Offering in recent years has been due largely to the fact that in thousands of churches the privilege of sharing in the Week of Prayer and the Offering has been extended to all the church membership.

At the meeting of the Executive Board of Southwide Woman's Missionary Union in September a resolution was adopted that Woman's Missionary Union clarify its position by making it understood that the entire church is invited to participate in the weeks of prayer and give to the Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong Offerings.

This resolution does not represent a change but is a recognition of a process of growth. At the very beginning of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, the first president of Southwide Woman's Missionary Union, Miss M. E. McIntosh, sent on October 11, 1889, the following word to the Woman's Mis-

sionary Societies of the South: "Suppose you seek the co-operation of your pastor and ask him to speak to the ladies some Sunday morning from the pulpit and explain to them about the Christmas Offering and the great need for workers in North China. Last year the president of more than one society put a Christmas envelope in the hands of each member of her church. With the assistance of a few other ladies, she either say each personally or sent a note of explanation and invitation with the envelope. The result was a well-attended meeting and a large contribution. Perhaps you would like to try the same plan this year."

For many years all the members of thousands of churches in wide areas have been encouraged to pray, study, and give to the Lottie Moon Offering. In hundreds of additional churches each year this is being done.

Southwide Woman's Missionary Union has let it be known that this support is appreciated and invited.

Wherever the Lottie Moon Offering has been widely encouraged there has developed a parallel increase in support of the Cooperative Program. When fountains of missionary compassion are opened at Christmas they flow freely all through the year.

Where the Offering is widely encouraged an increase in missionary volunteers results. The whole church membership is led to pray, care, and give. This produces an atmosphere in which young people hear God's call. Where the Offering is widely encouraged there is increased gratitude for the work of Woman's Missionary Union.

Assuming the responsibility for the Lottie Moon Offering is a labor of love on the part of Woman's Missionary Union. The aim of this labor is not to glorify their organization but to cultivate the spirit of missions through prayer, study, and giving. The money contributed is not to finance special Woman's Missionary Union projects but is to supply needs on mission fields as recommended by the Missions and approved by the Foreign Mission Board.

This growth of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is in complete harmony with the business and financial plan of the Southern Baptist Convention as clearly in Article VI. The Foreign Mission Board at its annual meeting in October adopted two resolutions expressing appreciation of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the recent positions stated by Southwide Woman's Missionary Union.

Southern Baptists will always insist on several vital values as related to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. First, it should be preceded by a season of prayer and mission study. Second, it should always be a love offering: a Christmas gift laid at the feet of our Lord.

Third, it should always be an offering for foreign missions.

It is our deep conviction that under the devoted leadership of Woman's Missionary Union these values will be continually strengthened and will be made to bless every area of Southern Baptist life.

On behalf of millions of people throughout the world, whose distress and spiritual darkness call to our compassion, and in view of evident high responsibility of Southern Baptists to march forward in a mighty world ministry in this critical year, I hope that year by year the greatest possible encouragement may be given to the Week of Prayer and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in every church in the Southern Baptist Convention.

A new dynamic upsurge of world mission conviction is moving in the hearts of Southern Baptists today. We do well to remember the words of Jesus, "And no man putteth new wine into old wine-skins; else the wine will burst the skins, and the wine perisheth, and the skins: but they put new wine into fresh wine-skins" (ASV).

May God bless every Southern Baptist who lays a Christmas gift at the feet of our Lord in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

In 1944 there were 21,222,000 families with incomes under \$8,000, and in 1955, 14,500,000; 6,159,000 families were in the income bracket of \$5,000-\$10,000, in 1944, compared to 18,900,000 families in 1955. The above \$15,000 bracket, in 1944, had 534,000 families while in 1955 it had 1,700,000 families. Lower-income families are often smaller units.

Williams Called

To Chaplaincy

Rev. H. Fred Williams, pastor of the East Howard Church of Biloxi for more than 3½ years, has been ordered to active duty with the U. S. Army as chaplain, effective December 24.

He has been ordered to report to Fort Slocum, New York, where he will attend the Army Chaplains School and Officers Indoctrination.

He is a Purple Heart veteran of World War II, and has been endorsed by the Chaplains Commission of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

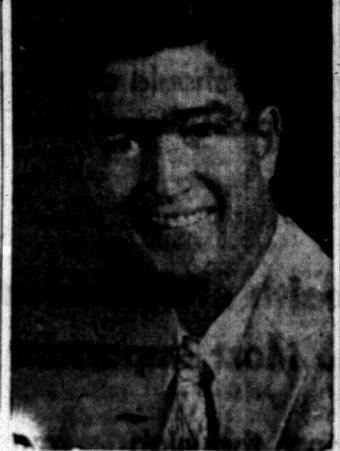
The East Howard church has experienced considerable growth during his pastorate. Some of the church's outstanding accomplishments have been the construction of an educational building valued at \$75,000, the purchase and maintenance of the Oak Street Mission, more than 200 baptisms, and 447 additions to the church. Gifts to the church budget have totalled \$72,000 during his tenure.

The Rev. Mr. Williams came to the church from the Gladie Church of Laurel. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and the New Orleans Theological Seminary.

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Clear Creek Calls

James D. Watson, Jr.



Rev. James D. Watson, Jr.

Rev. James D. Watson, Jr. has resigned the pastorate of Second Church, Indianola, to accept the pastorate of the Clear Creek Church in Lafayette county.

Clear Creek is one of the 65 oldest churches in the state, having been organized in 1836. A full-time program is in effect in this 4-Star church, and the congregation has approved the erection of a three-bedroom brick parsonage.

Second Church, Indianola, was begun as a mission under the auspices of First Church in September, 1954, with Mr. Watson directing the program of work there. During his two years with the Second Church the membership rose from 33 to 269. Educational space to accommodate 250 people has been provided. A pastor's home has been purchased and two additional lots for future buildings have been secured.

The church has had a full-time Minister of Music since its eighth month of existence. J. B. Betts is serving in that capacity at the present time. A part-time secretary was added to the staff during the past summer. The church has had the services of a full-time paid nursery worker from its very beginning.

Six men from Second Church have surrendered to preach during the past two years, and one young lady surrendered for foreign mission service.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson are students at Mississippi College.

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H. G. Davis, Howard President, To Retire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP) — Harwell G. Davis, president of Howard College here, recently announced he will retire on September 1, 1958, after 19 years as head of the Baptist four-year school.

He explained that by the time he retires, Howard will have moved from its present campus to a new one south of the city. The college is scheduled to occupy the new site first in Fall, 1957.

Davis, who became president of the school July 1, 1939, has been in that post longer than any of his predecessors. He is a native of Marengo County, Ala., and a veteran of World War I. He is known to many as "Major Davis."

Total cost of the new Howard campus, which started under Davis' administration, will reach \$12 million. When complete, it will have at least 21 buildings.

INSTRUCTIONS

To solve the puzzles, fill in the missing words in the Scripture clues. Under each letter of these words you will find a number. Write each letter in the square in the diagram which contains the same number as the letter. When you have written all the letters in their proper places, you will be able to read a memory verse of Scripture. (Answers may be found on another page.)

The Scripture references are taken from the King James Version of the Bible.

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PAUL'S COUNSEL TO THE ROMANS NUMBER 9

- 1 He shall ——— thee with his feathers, . . . 10 6 17 2 9
(Ps. 91:4)
- 2 O Lord God, thou hast ——— to shew thy servant thy greatness, . . . (Deut. 3:24)
- 3 And rose up, . . . and led him unto the ——— of the hill whereon their city was built, . . . (Luke 4:35)
- 4 For in him we live, and ———, and have our being; . . . (Acts 17:28) 20 8 39 21 3
- 5 And having ——— and raiment let us be therewith content. (I Tim. 6:8) 15 41 28 42
- 6 Both riches and honour ——— of thee, . . . (I Chron. 29:12) 27 23 12 30
- 7 And we know that all things work together for good to them that ——— God, . . . (Rom. 8:28) 34 40 32 25
- 8 . . . Keep my commandments, and ———. (Prov. 4:4) 19 33 7 31
- 9 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers ——— him, . . . (I Sam. 31:3) 38 36 22
- 10 Bind them continually upon thine heart, and ——— them about hy neck. (Prov. 6:21) 7 18 16
- 11 He said, Bring them hither ——— me (Matt. 14:18) 5 11

SILENT CLASS, SECOND, TUPELO CELEBRATES SECOND ANNIVERSARY

Members of the Silent Class at Second Church, Tupelo, recently held a banquet in celebration of the second anniversary of their class, with 65 people present.

The class was organized on November 30, 1954, with 20 deaf people and two interpreters, the first of its kind ever organized in north Mississippi. A total of 34 members have been enrolled, with an average attendance of 15. Fifteen deaf people have accepted Christ since the Silent Class was begun, including a deaf couple for whom the church had prayed for two years.

Rev. Benton Roberson, minister to the deaf in Chattanooga, Tenn., led the invocation at the banquet. An honored guest was the mother of Mrs. Benton Roberson, who is a deaf mute and who is also blind.

Any one living in the vicinity who is deaf and would like to attend the Silent Class is invited to do so.

A sextet from the Silent Class sang, "My Jesus, I Love Thee."

At the Sunday morning Sunday school assembly, Mrs. Leonard Holmes, a member of the Silent Class, gave the devotional. Men of the class, Woodson Mize, Billy McDonald, and Joe Matthews, were ushers for the morning worship hour. Four others gave their testimony thru the interpreter on the Sunday broadcast. During the worship hour several members of the Silent Class sang, "My Jesus, I Love Thee."

Members of the Silent Class were in charge of special music. Mrs. Billy McDonald, West Point, class president; Woodson Mize of Belden is vice-president; Billy McDonald is secretary-treasurer. The class presented to their pastor, Rev. Don Reed, a desk pen.

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- 3 years old—Francis Sullivan, Kathy Gatewood.
- 4 years old—Felicia Blair, Debby Covington, Gayle Lee, Lannie Sanford, Annie Ruth Sullivan, Karen Swogger, Syble Boler.
- 5 years old—Brenda Lee, Pat Lovett.
- 6 years old—Janet Aaron, Barbara Byrd, Louise Blair, Rhonda Chambers, Patricia Gonzales, Mary Linda Odom, Margaret Sanders.
- 7 years old—Virginia Clark, Judy Johnson, Kathleen Linkfield, Patricia Logan, Marjorie Sullivan, Bonnie Ann Gatewood.
- 8 years old—Susie Bates, Linda Covington, Lois Hanna, Etoll Morris.
- 9 years old—Darla Ann Castalau, Beverly Chambers, Lynn Ford, Bonnie Linkfield, Patricia Mason, Eva Jane Sullivan, Roberta Whitehead.
- 10 years old—Mabel Bates, Maureen Betts, Amelia Craft, Diana Dykes, Elaine Ferrell, Mattie Lou Harper, Earline Morris, Mary Lee Pulley, Dinah Sanders, Ina Lee Tidwell, Eddie Smith, Alice Faye Lovett.
- 11 years old—Janie Denson, Marie Dykes, Hilda Faye Harper, Mary Ann Mason, Linda Pennington, Dovie Hankins, Carolyn Ann Van Cleave, Silverly Chambers.
- 12 years old—Deanna Chambers, Karen Morris, Beatrice Logan, Mary Lovett, Beaver Neal, Beverly Pulley, Betty Gatewood.
- 13 years old—Grace Bates, Charline Covington, Mary Ethel Deese, Joyce Gibbs, Barbara Hankins, Bessie Jones, Carole Faye Morris, Bobbie Osbon, Ola Mae Springer, Geneva Tidwell, Jo Ann West.
- 14 years old—Betty Sue Byrd, Shirley Denson, Carolyn Covington, Louise Mashburn, Mary Ann Morris, Betty Neal, Mary Rape, Lois West.
- 15 years old—Lenna Morris, Margie Nell Lee, Jessie Osbon, Ann Pittenger, Jenny Tidwell, Frances Gatewood.
- 16 years old—Joy Mashburn, Louise West.
- 17 years old—None.
- 18 years old—Patsey Hankins.
- 19 years old—Charlene Bridges.
- 20 years old—Lillian Buchanan.

BOYS

- 2 years old—None.
- 3 years old—Jerry Ferrell.
- 4 years old—Stevie Aaron, Mickie Ferrell, Kenneth Jenkins, Richard Van Cleave.
- 5 years old—Larry Covington, Rickey Gonzales, Carl Hanna, Rodney Johnson, Bobby Logan, Danny Odom.
- 6 years old—Eddy Betts, Jerome Lee; Tom Pulley, William Sanford, David Gatewood.
- 7 years old—Stanley Aaron, Mike Archer, Sandy Boles, Mike Chambers, Sammy Hanna, Tommy Johnson, Robert Mashburn, John Sanford, Jimmy Van Cleave.
- 8 years old—Jerry Archer, Buster Blair, Billy Byrd, Melvin Clark, Johnny Dykes, Danny Lovett, John Mason, James Neal, Dale Pennington, Robert Sanford, Roger Sullivan.
- 9 years old—Bobby Bishop, Robert Byrd, Jimmy Hanna, Danna Logan, Mike Moore, Jack Sanders, Danny Swogger, Claud Pulley, Leroy Mashburn, Tommy Van Cleave.
- 10 years old—Bruce Clark, Jimmy Covington, Leroy Deese, Dudley Gibbs, Jesse Johnson, Lieb Linkfield, Rickey Morris, Calvin Neal, Jerry Springer, Larry Therrell, W. T. West, Clarence Gatewood.
- 11 years old—Terry Archer, H. G. Bishop, Roger Therrell, Don Tidwell.
- 12 years old—Danny Byrd, Ray Campbell, Wesley Mashburn, Dwight Moore, Gene Morris, Billy Newell, Richard Rape, Tommy Rawls, John Tom Smith, Moses Whitehead.
- 13 years old—Leon Bishop, Oliver Morris, Jimmy Puttinger, Robert Pulley, Carl Henry Sullivan.
- 14 years old—Mike Bilyk, Lamar Rawls.
- 15 years old—Ray Otis Bates, Ray Howard Bishop, James Hancock.

Newly-Appointed Historical Commission Holds 1st Meet



Dr. Eugene Skelton, pastor, First Church, Pascagoula, was elected chairman of the newly-elected state Historical Commission.

Others elected were Rev.

Macon; Rev. Richard Allmon, Waynesboro; Dr. Skelton; C. W. Lord, Ellissville, and Mr. Moulder. Not shown are Rev. James Riley, Magnolia; Rev. W. C. Howard, WaterValley, and Rev. Grant Clark, Ripley.

In Loving Memory



Rev. L. W. Ferrell

The late pastor of Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson)

Our pastor has gone to his Sabbath of rest

To live with his Jesus, a life fully blessed.

What a glorious welcome he must have received,

Not because he was good but because he believed.

If he could make known his wishes today,

He'd tell us, "Weep not for this mortal clay—

But weep for thy brother—go show him the way."

God's truth was his life, error had no place.

All glory to Him for His Amazing Grace.

It's true our Shepherd has left his sheep,

But he left us a heritage, precious to keep.

Fellowship with him—a gift beyond measure,

Sharing God's Word with him—a joy to treasure.

One of God's ablest servants and true to the end,

Our teacher, our pastor, our brother and friend.

—Phyllis F. Cockrell

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Methodists Gain 131,542 Members

CHICAGO (RNS) — Membership in The Methodist Church in the United States now stands at 9,444,820, it was announced here. This is a gain of 131,542 over the previous year.

The Methodist Church is the largest Protestant denomination in the country.

Rev. Albert C. Hoover, director of the denomination's statistical office, reported the figures. He said the total does not include 1,285,116 preparatory members—baptized children and others under instruction but not yet received into full membership.

Church school membership rose to 6,956,576. Last year's figure was 6,811,498. Average attendance at Sunday schools was 3,622,031, compared to last year's average of 3,526,990.

There are 26,909 ministers in the denomination and 39,845 preaching places. The statistical report said church members contributed \$413,893,955 for all purposes—an increase of \$29,500,000 over a year ago.

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New York School Honors Niemoeller

NEW YORK (RNS) — Dr. Martin Niemoeller, German pastor who spent eight years in concentration camps for his resistance to the Nazi regime, was presented here with New York University's bronze medal, the school's "highest award to distinguished people."

The presentation was made by Vice-President Harold O. Voorhis. Dr. Niemoeller, who is president of the Evangelical Church of Hesse-Nassau in West Germany, was cited as "one of the leading figures in 20th century Christendom" and for his "valiant defense of the faith against unspeakable atheistic desecration and tyranny."

The citation also said that the German churchman had fired the imagination, quickened the hopes and lifted the hearts of reverent fellowmen the world over."

Later, Dr. Niemoeller spoke in the university's school of education auditorium on "What Future for Europe's Youth?" The program was sponsored by the NYU Christian Association.

He said young people in Europe "embarrassed by the emptiness of human existence" are fighting against the futility and frustration of their lives which are dominated by materialism.

"A sedative will not do," he said. "They will not accept it. Their criticism is acid and sharp and not to be deceived."

Despite the hold which materialism has on young Europeans, he said, "if the question of freedom is raised, there is and will be a response in their hearts, breaking through the barrier which materialistic interests normally constitute."

Dr. Niemoeller called the "spiritual situation" of young Europeans "a tremendous and unique challenge to the Christian Church and to its message."

"If it really has the answer and if it really will give the answer," he said, "then there is an opportunity as possibly never before."

Dr. Niemoeller's address here wound up his five-week lecture tour of the U. S. and Canada under the auspices of the U. S. Conference of the World Council of Churches. He spoke at churches, colleges and seminaries in both countries and addressed mass meetings sponsored by local councils of churches.

Two days before coming to New York the German church leader received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Huron College, London, Ont., at a special convocation.

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Southern Baptists Seek Total 425,000 Converts in 1957

DALLAS, Tex. (RNS) — The Southern Baptist Convention has set a goal of 425,000 converts for 1957, the secretary of its evangelism department announced here.

Dr. Leonard Sanderson of Dallas said 416,867 converts were baptized during 1955, and slightly fewer in 1956. He credited simultaneous evangelism campaigns for much of the success in the 1955 peak year.

Dr. Sanderson said the number of SBC baptisms has increased 61 per cent during the last ten years. The figure for 1946, the first year of a new program, was 253,361.

Mr. Sanderson began his work at Louise on December 1.

DID YOU KNOW THAT the cost each year for higher education in America is now fifteen billion dollars and that this bill will reach fifty billion dollars in twenty years?

16 years old—Robert Acker, Durwood Overby, Walter Smith, Kellon Sullivan.

18 years old—Charles Pittenger.

Parochial School Growth Laid To Ban On Religion

TOLEDO, O. (RNS)—The current rapid growth of parochial schools is due in large part to the ban on religion in public schools, the Rev. John A. Root, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran church, said here.

He was one of four panelists who discussed "Religion and the School" at a Fulton School Parent-Teacher Association meeting. Other panel members were Howard Cook, attorney; Edward J. Moe, Jones School teacher; and Mrs. Walter E. Kilpatrick, Toledo Council of PTA.

"It's not a question of teaching religious doctrine," Mr. Root said, "but rather a question of whether or not the public school teacher has a right to mention religion at all."

The pastor said he was certain it is "possible to teach Christianity, or any other religion, without trying to bring about conversions."

Separation of religion and the school is wrong, he said, since religion "concerns the whole being—body, mind and soul—and it is not right to confine it to one or two hours a week."

But Mr. Cook, citing the United States and Ohio constitutions, declared that teaching religion in the public school might involve grave legal problems.

He said the released time program providing one hour a week for religious education in Toledo has worked well—"so well, in fact, that it has led to better understanding between those of different religious beliefs."

"But we can't overlook the constitutional question," Mr. Cook said. "It is a problem for the freedom of worship and the freedom of choice."

Mrs. Kilpatrick took the position that "religion is something that should be taught, lived and breathed in the home."

"One hour a week (in school)

is certainly not enough, and I'm sure some children go to the religious classes only to get out of school work," she said.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

December 9, 1956

	SS	TU
Aberdeen, First	383	136
Amory, First	365	112
Baldwyn, First	243	83
Batesville, First	464	226
Belden	96	62
Bethlehem (Jones)	156	128
Biloxi, Emmanuel	217	82
Booneville, First	335	117
Brookhaven, First	849	248
Main	743	200
Southway	76	22
Halbert Heights	30	26
Brookhaven, Central	118	74
Calhoun City, First	311	116
Canton, Cen. Ter.	233	95
Collins	213	88
Columbia, First	674	234
Main School	644	
Training School	30	
Concord (Choctaw)	71	55
Crystal Springs,	87	67
Highland	94	63
Derma	105	38
Duck Hill	143	94
Evergreen (Winston)	88	43
Fellowship (Choctaw)	213	74
Flowood	82	52
Freedom (Jones)	213	51
Glenallen (Union Co.)	115	51
Greenwood, Calvary	414	155
Grenada, Emanuel	267	127
Gulfport, First	906	286
Hattiesburg, Main Street	965	415
Hattiesburg, 38th Av.	236	135
Itta Bena, First	173	78
Jackson, First	1352	487
Broadmoor	615	262
Calvary	1442	438
Main	1393	407
Mission	49	31
Crestwood	654	390
Daniel Mem.	827	328
Highland	109	79
Hillcrest	303	164
Northside	746	224
Parkway	1061	501
Ridgecrest	519	185
Robinson St.	306	85
Southside	233	155
Van Winkle	611	301
West Jackson	389	168
Kosciusko, First	672	327
Main School	638	
Maple Mission	35	56
Laurel, First	607	172
Laurel, Wildwood	245	80
Starkeyville, First	773	100
Sunflower	94	28
Long Beach	311	91
Longview (Oktibbeha)	70	49
Morton, First	328	198
Main Church	289	118
Mission	39	80
Neshoba	84	45
New Albany, First	606	203
Northside Mission	74	40
New Sight (Lincoln)	117	40
Newton, First	459	222
Pascagoula, First	669	234

McArthur Chapel

Orange Grv. Chap.

Pearl (Rankin)

Petal, Temple

Picayune, First

Southside

Pocahontas</p

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM FEATURES MISSISSIPPIANS AS HUSBAND-WIFE TEAM

Rev. and Mrs. Malcolm R. Lovell, students at Southwest Seminary, were featured in an article in the December issue of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Typical of hundreds of other couples at all the seminaries, the couple has made the work toward a seminary education a partnership affair.

Mr. Lovell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lovell of Route 1, Pontotoc, will receive his B. D. degree from Southwestern in 1958. Mrs. Lovell, the former Neva Crick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Crick of Indianapolis, is enrolled in evening classes at the seminary.

Frances Edwards, author of the article, says that "the story of the Lovells isn't filled with dramatics. It's just a plain story about how two young Americans with ability and determination can work together and achieve their goal."

The couple met while they were both students at Delta State College, Cleveland. Not long after Mrs. Lovell's graduation they were married and she worked as home demonstration agent in Bolivar County while Mr. Lovell completed the work for his B. S. degree and meanwhile served as pastor of a rural mission church. (He had decided to become a minister while a junior at college.)

The couple moved to Texas in the fall of 1955. Mrs. Lovell became home demonstration agent for Hood and Somervell Counties and they lived at Granbury, Texas. Lovell began commuting to Fort Worth to attend the seminary.

Then the position to assistant home demonstration agent in Tarrant County became available and Mrs. Lovell, on the basis of her record, got the job. This meant another big step toward the goal of a seminary degree for Lovell, as they could now live only a short distance from the seminary campus.

Mr. Lovell was ordained last July at George's Creek Church and is now serving that church

as pastor. When Mr. Lovell completes his studies and enters his chosen field, Mrs. Lovell plans to attend the seminary nearest his assignment to finish the requirements for a Master of Religious Education degree.

TEN ARE ADDED IN RIENZI REVIVAL

Rev. William G. Winstead, pastor of the Rienzi Church, reports that there were ten additions to the church, two by letter and eight by baptism, during the recent revival there.

Rev. Oley C. Kidd, Superintendent of Missions and Promotion, Birmingham Baptist Association, Birmingham, Alabama, was the evangelist, and Thomas E. Bush, New Smyrna Beach, Florida, a blind singer and musician, was in charge of the music.

Rienzi Church is completing now an entirely new building on a new location, which will give adequate accommodations for completely departmentalizing all the educational work. There will be space for a nursery, kitchen, and fellowship hall.

WLAU, Laurel To Broadcast "Baptist Hour"

Radio Station WLAU, Laurel, has scheduled the popular Southern Baptist radio program, the "Baptist Hour" for weekly broadcast on Sunday at 7:55 a.m. The program began December 9th.

The 30-minute program is a modified worship service, combining gospel music by the Baptist Hour Choir and a message by Dr. Baker James Cauthen of Richmond, Va., in equal portions.

Now carried by more than 411 radio stations in 34 states and numerous foreign territories and countries, the Baptist Hour has an estimated listening audience of 20,000,000.

Wayne County "M" Night With 771 Sets All-Time Record



Wayne County Baptists attended "M" Night in larger numbers than they have ever attended any meeting in Wayne County Baptist Association history. 771 people literally filled First Church, Waynesboro to head the program which featured Rev. Charles Holifield, pastor of Calvary Church, Waynesboro, as its main speaker. The crowd overflowed both the Main Auditorium and Dawsey Memorial Hall in the educational annex. The goal was 450. 327 attended "M" Night held at Clara Church last year.

Attendance on a percentage basis gave Trinity Church the banner for attendance. River-side Church was second, followed by Coyt Church. First, Waynesboro, had 281 present. 18 of the 25 churches were represented. Rev. R. G. Clark, pastor of Mt. Zion Church, is the Association Union Director and Leon B. Young is the Superintendent of Missions.

P. A. DICKERSON

Phillip A. Dickerson died on December 5, 1956.

Quietly and unselfishly he performed innumerable deeds of charity and love that endeared him to many. A wonderful character, he is deeply missed by friends and family.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Ralph Bray. Interment was in the Fair River cemetery.

Survivors include four brothers: A. L. Dickerson, Sumrall; Clyde, Earl and R. H. Brookhaven; five sister: Mrs. G. W. Connally, Brookhaven; Mrs. E. A. Butler, Jackson; Mrs. E. D. Little, Rockport; Misses Minnie and Tommie Dickerson, Brookhaven.

Pallbearers were Supt. L. L. Simmons, Rev. G. D. Williams, Steve Butler, W. O. Mullen, Earl Lofton, Earl Maxwell.

Nasm Admits Mississippi College

The Mississippi College music department was elected to associate membership in the National Association of Schools of Music on Nov. 23, at the 32nd annual meeting of the NASM, according to Professor E. N. Elsey, head of the music department at the Baptist school.

Elsey represented the school at the meeting which was held in the Statler Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio, on Nov. 23-24. Curricula of the music department which have been approved lead to the degrees of Bachelor of Music in the applied fields and theory, Bachelor of Science in Music Education, and Bachelor of Arts in Music.

The NASM is the organization which has been made responsible for music standards on a national scale by the National Commission on Accrediting. Founded in 1924 by a small group of music leaders for the purpose of establishing a closer relation between schools of music and for cooperation with educational associations, the NASM now includes some 225 of the leading universities, colleges, and conservatories in the United States.

Recreation Workers To Be Trained

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BSSB)—A Special Workers' Church Recreation Workshop, directed by the Church Recreation Service of the Baptist Sunday School Board, will be held here January 29-31.

The purpose of the workshop is to train workers to assist churches in their recreation needs.

NEW NAMES IN Circulation

CARSON RIDGE (Attala)

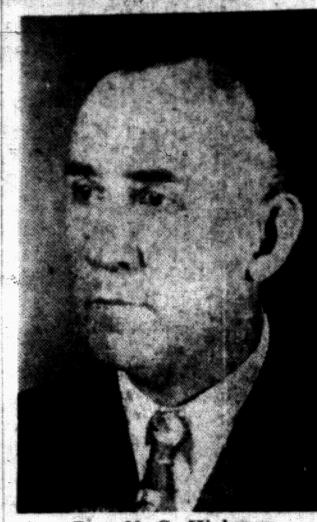
One of the latest churches to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan of subscribing to the Baptist Record is the Carson Ridge Church in Attala County, Rev. Billy Morgan, pastor.

Twenty-five families of that church will now receive their state paper weekly, giving them an opportunity to keep up with Baptist affairs in the state, the nation, and the world.

Record readers at Attala county are now listed as follows:

Bear Creek, 38; Berea, 33; Carson Ridge, 25; County Line, 46; Edgefield, 23; Ethel, 72; Hurricanee, 24; Jerusalem, 1; Kosciusko, First, 524; Kosciusko, Second, 66; McAdams, 66; McCool, 43; New Salem, 10; New Hope, 1; Pilgrim's Rest, 22; Pleasant Ridge, 14; Sallis, 6; Sand Hill, 1; Springdale, 36; Unity, 32; Williamsville, 59; Yockanogan, 48; Zama, 14.

Hickman To Be Supt. Of Missions In Pontotoc Co.



Rev. N. G. Hickman

Rev. N. G. Hickman, Corinth, will assume the duties of Associational Missionary of Pontotoc County January 1, 1957. At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of Pontotoc County, Mr. Hickman was given a unanimous call upon the recommendation of the Missions Committee composed of Rev. Tom Douglas, Rev. C. B. Sims, Rev. Hugh Brown, and Hoyle Hester.

Mr. Hickman comes to Pontotoc County with eleven years experience in this work and a number of years as a pastor. He will succeed James Webster who is now a student at the Southwestern Seminary.

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Horn Lake Church Has Groundbreaking

At the morning worship Service Dec. 9 the Horn Lake Church had a ground breaking service for a new Educational Building which will cost approximately \$5,000.00. This two-story brick addition will care for Nursery through the Intermediate Departments.

It will also include a kitchen and three bath rooms. There will be a Department assembly rooms and class rooms for each department. There will be a reception room and three Nursery rooms to care for our babies. This addition was needed to meet the growing needs of the church.

At the Ground Breaking Service, Mrs. Jessie Woolsey, the oldest member of the church, assisted the Pastor in turning the first spade of dirt. Members of the Building Committee are: J. G. Allen, Sr., Chairman; Boyd J. Hardin, W. P. Sanders, Raymond Wooten. The Church is selling Bonds to finance the building. Rev. B. F. McLain is pastor.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: J. D. Caples, Slate Springs; Mrs. A. L. Beavers, New Albany; James B. Riley, Magnolia; Jesse L. Boyd, Clinton; G. B. Basden, Coffeeville; Dr. and Mrs. D. T. Waring, Brookhaven; James D. Hayes, Hazlehurst; Albert Gooch, Columbus; Lucy Simmons, Kosciusko; Alicia Jones, Belzoni; Marilyn Barnes, Hattiesburg; John Collins, Hattiesburg; Ken Lyle, Houston, Texas; Joy Shelton, C. B. Bryant, Jimmy W. Troutman, Sandra Boothe, Jackson; Cheri Jean, Smith, Corinth.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT if you are a parent of three children in college you will pay up to \$6,000 a year for their education?

Students From Carey College At Convention

To Direct Music For R. G. Lee Campaign In Natchez



Rev. Wayne King

The Robert G. Lee Revival Campaign sponsored by the 12 churches in Adams County will be held in the Natchez City Auditorium, April 8-19, 1957. Pastor Wayne King will direct the music.

Mr. King is a native of Pennsylvania; he did his school work at the Toccoa Falls Institute in Georgia and at Howard College in Birmingham, Ala. For two years he served in the chaplaincy at the LeTourneau Co. of Georgia.

For seven and one half years Mr. King served as pastor of churches in Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Texas. During the past eleven years he has been engaged in evangelistic singing and preaching throughout the South.

Recently Evangelist King re-entered pastoral work. He is now serving as pastor of the Zion Hill and New Oak Grove Churches of Union County, Mississippi.

31 Years Needed For Complete Education

PLAINVIEW, Tex. (BP)—If a student attempted to take all the courses offered at Wayland Baptist College today, he would spend 31 years on the campus, according to Bob Hilburn, feature writer for the Plainview Daily Herald.

Delving a bit farther, Hilburn learned that "in view of a constantly changing curriculum, a conservative estimate is that by the end of the 31 years at least half of the courses would be changed. Therefore, a student could spend an additional 15 years at the college without duplicating work."

Wayland is currently offering 428 different courses in 26 departments. This represents a total of 940 semester hours (120 hours are usually required for a degree) which would take 62 semesters or 31 regular school years to complete.

"The cost of tuition and books for the 31 years' work would be \$9,610, while room and board would add \$15,500," the article said.

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German Soviet Zone Communists have instituted a "name-giving" ceremony for new-born children at which the parents are given a birth certificate. Other pseudo-religious ceremonies reportedly are being developed to take the place of Christian marriage and burial.

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Rev. Wayne V. Reid Is New Pastor Of Cedar Grove Church



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Rev. Wayne V. Reid has accepted the pastorate of Cedar Grove Church in Marion county. He and Mrs. Reid will be the first occupants in the new and modern pastorage recently completed near the church.

For the past two years Mr. Reid, has been pastor of the Bethany Church near Prentiss in Jeff Davis county.

He received the B. A. degree from Ouachita Baptist College in Arkadelphia, Arkansas and the B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary. Mrs. Reid received a B. R. E. degree from the New Orleans Seminary.

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A veteran missionary to India, Africa and the Far East told the delegates there is more opportunity now to Christianize many non-Christian areas of the world than there was 50 years ago.

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Mrs. Pauline McCurdy, for

the past four years church sec-

retary at Highland Church, Lau-

rel, has resigned, due to ill

health. Mrs. Herman Lide, who

formerly served in the same ca-

pacity at the Highland Church,

Meridian, has succeeded Mrs.

McCurdy. Rev. James A. Hurt

is the pastor at Highland.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

Contributions to forty-eight Protestant and two Eastern Orthodox communions in the United States reached a record total of \$1,842,592,260 in 1955. The figure represents an over-all increase of 11 per cent over the previous year and a per capita increase of 8 per cent — from 49.96 in 1954 to a new all-time high of \$53.94. Largest total giving was reported by The Methodist Church whose 9,313,278 members gave \$389,490,613.

Second highest was by the Southern Baptist Convention with a new record of \$334,836,283.

Today, 9.6 million American families have an annual income of more than \$7,500, compared with less than one million fifteen years ago; and 23 million have incomes of more than \$5,000, compared with 2.1 million fifteen years ago.

American incomes (after taxes) have increased from \$93 billion in 1941 to \$284.9 billion in 1956. However, their debts for home mortgages, installment purchases, and other things have climbed from \$55.6 billion during the same period.

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A statement of faith adopted

at the meeting stressed belief

in the "Premillennial Second

Coming of Christ."

It put the fellowship on record as believing that "the Revised Standard Version of the Bible is a perverted translation of the original languages, and that collaboration or participation with all forms of modernism, whether in the National Council of Churches or otherwise, is wrong, and demands separation on our part."

In electing officers the pas-

tors decided to have a moder-